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2. Introduction of New Officers' Epaulets

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Hungarian Troop Units.

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1. In August 1951, the school for supply services (hadtap iskola) was stationed in the Kiss Janos Barracks, formerly Ferenc Jozef Infantry Barracks, on the southwest side of Uelloei Street in Budapest. About 600 officers and men, who wore bordeaux service color with epaulets with yellow braid and the letter T, attended this school. Some storerooms for infantry arms of the Hungarian Army's Central Ordnance Depot were located in the western section of the same barracks installation. (1)

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3. In July 1951, [] a major aircraft warning service station was located about 10 km from Gyöer (P 48/Y 44).

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4. In early March 1951, some soldiers who previously belonged to an infantry unit in Tab (Y 5/W 00) were attached to the guard battalion of the Ministry of National Defense. In the summer of 1951, soldiers of an artillery unit in Gyoengyoes (Q 48/J 24) were observed picking up materiel at the Central Artillery Ordnance Depot. (3)

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5. In the summer of 1951, a battalion of border guard troops was stationed in the former 48th Regt Barracks on the northeastern side of Flandorffer Street, Sopron (P 48/X 62). The former Honved Rakodai High School (Oberrealschule) housed an AVH office, staffed by 30 to 40 soldiers, and the Sopron military post headquarters. (4)

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New Officers' Epaulets.

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6. Effective 1 September 1951, Soviet-style rank in Hungarian officers. Company-grade officers wore longitudinal stripe in the color of the respective service branch, while field-grade officers wore the same epaulets with two stripes. The officer ranks were indicated by stars as in the Soviet Armed Forces. (5)

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- (1) The [] Comments.

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Central Artillery Ordnance Depot were located in the Kiss Janos [redacted] the Central Artillery Ordnance Depot [redacted] of the former ordnance depot on Illatos Utca [redacted]

(2) [redacted] a report of October 1950, stating that an [redacted] regiment was stationed in the former Vilmos Barracks. [redacted]

(3) The artillerymen possibly belonged to an unidentified motorized mortar regiment, which was observed in Gyoengyoes in October 1950. [redacted]

(4) The information confirms a report of August 1951 on AVH border guard units in Sopron. [redacted]

25X1 (5) The new officers' insignia was [redacted] parade in Budapest. [redacted]

25X1 report refers to epaulets for [redacted]

25X1 epaulets with green instead of gold as the basic color.

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